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Subject: Submission: Opposing the training tool ban

To whom it may concern,

I am emailing in regard to the proposed ban of effective training tools for our canines such as the prong and e-collar. As an owner who utilises these tools, the benefits to the quality of like for me and especially my dog has been immense.

Not only have they helped behaviour modification in my dog, it has also contributed to the bond we have developed as he clearly understands what is and isn't expected of him.

I recognise that these tools can appear and sound in humane but results from using these tools safely and appropriately speaks volumes.

I am whole heartedly against the proposed ban as it would hinder the behaviour modification process owners and trainers partake in to ensure their dog fits into our society with ease.

A ban to these tools will likely result in difficulty in behaviour modification and in turn the potential for shelters to become over populated. An increased number of dogs in shelters almost guarantees the dire outcome of euthanising.

I urge your department to re-consider the proposed ban and to actively seek and observe dogs who have benefited from these tools.

Thank you for your time.

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Kind regards, Katrina Ramunni